

Claims:

WeClaim:

1. A printer configuration, comprising:
 - a) a computer readable medium comprising data;
 - b) a computer having access to the data on the computer readable medium;
 - c) a communication link connected to the computer;
 - d) a photoprinter connected to the communication link and in communication with the computer, the photoprinter having a selection mechanism and having access to the data over the communication link in response to a user's input to the selection mechanism on the photoprinter.
2. The printer configuration of claim 1, further comprising a user interface on the photoprinter having a plurality of options selectable by a user with the selection mechanism.
3. The printer configuration of claim 2, wherein the options include downloading files from the computer, uploading files to the computer, or printing files.
4. The printer configuration of claim 2, wherein the one or more files are presented on the user interface.
5. The printer configuration of claim 1, wherein the data comprises digital photographs.
6. The printer configuration of claim 1, wherein the data comprises executable code for running on the photoprinter.
7. The printer configuration of claim 1, wherein the computer is connected locally to the photoprinter.

8. The printer configuration of claim 1, wherein the communications link is a modem connection.

~~9. The printer configuration of claim 1, wherein the computer is a server.~~

~~10. The printer configuration of claim 9, wherein the data is accessible on an online account.~~

11. A printer configuration, comprising:

- a) a computer having a plurality of digital photographs on a computer readable medium;
- b) a communication link connected to the computer; and
- c) a photoprinter connected to the computer via the communication link, the photoprinter having means for accessing the digital photographs.

12. A method for accessing digital photographs, the method comprising the steps of:

- a) placing one or more digital photographs on a computer;
- b) establishing a communication link between a photoprinter and the computer;
- c) inputting a request to the photoprinter by a user; and
- d) accessing the digital photographs by the photoprinter in response to the request.

13. ~~The method of claim 12, wherein the step of accessing comprises downloading the digital photographs.~~

14. ~~The method of claim 12, wherein the step of accessing comprises downloading thumbnail representations of the digital photographs.~~

15. A method for diagnosing a printer, the method comprising the steps of:

- a) obtaining a stand-alone printer;
- b) establishing a communication link between the stand-alone printer and a computer; and
- c) transmitting instructions over the communication link from the computer to the stand-alone printer; and
- d) diagnosing one or more functions of the stand-alone printer in accordance with the transmitted instructions.

16. ~~The method of claim 15, wherein the instructions comprise content to be presented on a display of the stand-alone printer.~~

17. ~~The method of claim 15, further comprising the step of the computer processing user inputs to the stand-alone printer.~~

18. ~~The method of claim 15, wherein the stand-alone printer is a photocopier.~~

19. ~~The method of claim 15, further comprising the step of the computer receiving usage statistics of the stand-alone printer.~~